





Saddle Ridge Fire INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 10/16/19 Time: 9:00 AM

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Websites: LAFD.org/News, Fire.LACounty.gov, fs.usda.gov/angeles

Public Line: 311

INCIDENT FACTS						
Incident Start Date: 10/10/2019				Incident Start Time: 9:02 PM		
Incident Type: Brush Fire				Cause: Under Investigation		
Incident Location: 210 FWY/Yarnell Street, Los Angeles						
Unified Command: LAFD, LACoFD, USFS						
Size: Approx. 8391 Acres		Containment: 46%		Full Containment: TBD		
Civilian Fatalities: 1	Civilian	n Inju	uries: TBD	1 st Responder Inju	ries: 6	1 st Responder Fatalities: 0
Structures Previously Threatened: 17,627			Structures Damaged: 88		Structures Destroyed: 19	

CURRENT SITUATION

Current Situation:

The 4'x4' flame at the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility was fully extinguished at 1:00 P.M. on 10/15/19. There are no known impacts to SoCalGas operations at the facility at this time. South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), Los Angeles County Fire Department and SoCalGas are analyzing samples to determine what chemicals were involved in the flame. Updates will be provided as results become available.

Several residents were concerned that videos of what appear to be fires within the sewer system at the Porter Ranch Town Center might be connected with the now extinguished Aliso Canyon flame. Fire resources believe that there is no connection and have observed no active underground fire threats near this area. We continue to ask the public to report any concerns related to air quality to SCAQMD on their 24-hour hotline, 1-800-CUT-SMOG. For health-related questions, please call Public Health at 213-738-3220. For additional questions contact SoCalGas at (213) 244-2442.

The cause of the Saddle Ridge Fire remains under active investigation. The area of origin has been identified by LAFD Arson Investigators as a 50' x 70' area beneath a high voltage transmission tower. There is no evidence of a homeless encampment in the immediate area. In addition to LAFD personnel, there are investigators from Southern California Edison and private insurance companies at the site. Investigators continue to work around the clock in steep terrain, thoroughly examining all aspects of the scene in an attempt to determine a cause.

Firefighters continue to work in rugged terrain throughout the burn area to increase containment lines and tactical patrols will remain in place to monitor the area for smoldering debris.

Local Assistance Center: A Local Assistance Center (LAC) will be set up for residents affected by the Saddle Ridge Fire. A LAC is a one-stop-shop with critical government services and information for residents who have been impacted by the fires.

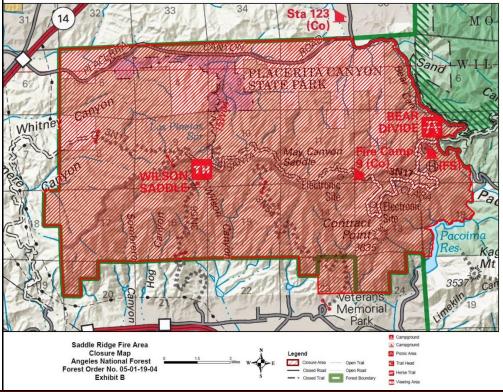
Sylmar Recreation Center 13109 Borden Avenue, Sylmar, CA 91342 818-367-5656

Dates: Thursday, October 17, 2019 - Saturday, October 26, 2019

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 9:30am to 7:00pm Saturday & Sunday 8:00am-4:00pm

Angeles NF Closures:

The Angeles NF has closed a section of the forest due to the fire. Please refer to go.usa.gov/xVzN5 and map.



ASSIGNED RESOURCES

Total Personnel: 1177 (including all agencies)

Cooperating Agencies: Cal Fire, LA Emergency Management Department (EMD), LA Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), LA Department of Water and Power (DWP), SoCal Gas, California Highway Patrol (CHP), LA County Public Health Department, LA City Department of Animal Regulation, American Red Cross, LA Public Works, Southern California Edison, and MySafe:LA.

